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**Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report**

**January, 2009**

**Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)**

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....	1539
Number of items* contained in these cases.....	2605
Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....	1538
Number of items analyzed this month.....	2298
Laboratories' backlog (Items).....	14299
Average time per analysis (turnaround time).....	139 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed.....	354

**Analysis Backlog**

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	1071	7%
16-30 days old	1506	11%
31-50 days old	1055	7%
Greater than 50 days	10667	75%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14299</b>	<b>100%</b>

\* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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**Analysis Profile**

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	37	2%
16-30 days	107	5%
31-50 days	371	16%
Greater than 50 days	1783	78%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2298</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Totals for Drugs of Interest**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Marijuana	615
Cocaine	640
Heroin	325
Others	718
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2298</b>

**Trafficking Items Analyzed**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Heroin	6
Cocaine	38
Oxycodone	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>52</b>

**Calendar Year (2009) Totals through the End of the Month**

Items Submitted	2605
Items Analyzed	2298

